

## 1-21. (CANCELED)

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A disposable cup ~~to be set up on~~ for a spray gun ~~in particular a gravity gun (17)~~ for at least one of preparing, applying and preserving paint, the disposable cup having one of a cylindrical shape or a truncated cone-shaped cup body (1) including a bottom wall (3) with a face ~~crossed by~~ having a vent opening (6) formed therein and a cover (4), ~~for closing an open end of the disposable cup, having an~~ whose outlet duct (11) ~~[[of]]~~ for dispensing the paint, the outlet duct (11) being [[is]] ~~directly set up on~~ engagable with one of the spray gun or ~~through via~~ an adaptation part (18), ~~the adaptation part (18) being set up on of~~ the spray gun (17), the disposable cup having on the bottom wall (3), a closable vent device (7) [[with]] including a moving part manually adjusted movable element (20) and having with a protruding end conformation for cooperating and shutting the vent opening (6) [[,]] in a closed position of the movable element (20), the vent opening (6) and, when the movable element (20) is extracting from the protruding end conformation, in the opened position, in order to the movable element (20) frees this conformation the protruding end from the vent opening (6), ~~this allows, when the closable vent device (7) is opened, and allows~~ air to enter [[to]] and occupy an inner volume space created by ~~[[used]]~~ consumed paint at a time of during painting, and when the vent device (7) is closed, movable element (20) [[to]] closes at least in a liquid-tight way, the vent opening (6), in order to form an invertable container is formed which assists with [[for]] paint preparation.

wherein the vent opening (6) is formed in a recessed portion of the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup and the movable element (20) of the vent device is slidably located within a tubular valve body which forms a valve duct (22), and the movable element (20) prevents air from flowing through valve duct (22) when the movable element (20) is in the closed position.

23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 22, wherein the closable vent device (7) is ~~a vent valve set up or conformed located~~ in or on a recessed portion of the wall of the bottom wall (3) at the site of the vent opening (6) under a level base of the cup in a and the vent device (7), when in the closed position, facilitates filling of the disposable cup with paint to be dispensed position.

## 24. (CANCELED)

25. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim ~~[[24]]~~ 22, wherein [[a]] the movable element (20) has ~~an end conformation in protrusion a~~

~~closing pin which extends, adapted for engaging, in the closed position, to effect the tightness by penetrating into the vent opening (6) and prevents paint from passing through the vent opening (6).~~

26. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim [[24]] 22, wherein ~~the tubular body making up the valve duct (22) extends from the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup outward around the vent opening (6) and has, on an inner side face, at least one immobilization structure provided for cooperation with a desired one of two complementary immobilization structures forms recessed or in protrusion existing formed in or on a body of the movable element (20) or vice versa.~~

27. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim [[26]] 22, wherein ~~the tubular body making up the valve duct (22) extends from the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup outward around the air vent opening (6) and has, on the inner side face, an inner annular rib (24) provided for carrying out two successive snap-in protrusion abutments for engagement with a desired one of with two recessed complementary annular grooves formed forms existing in the body of the movable element (20).~~

28. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim [[27]] 22, wherein the movable element is one of a [[full]] solid [[or]] and a hollow valve plug (25) having a general cylindrical shape, with an upper peripheral edge (26) forming which forms a shoulder, and a frontal surface of a lower end [[with]] has a central protrusion and a side surface having has immobilization structures for holding the movable element in the two positions and at least one passage of air.

29. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 28, wherein ~~the movable element has a general cylindrical shape, with the upper peripheral edge (26) forming the shoulder, the frontal surface of lower end with the central protrusion and the side surface [[have]] has two set-back immobilization structures which comprise spaced apart annular elements and at least one air passage.~~

30. (CANCELED)

31. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 28, wherein the central protrusion [[of]] in the frontal surface of the lower end is a closing pin (28) having which has a lightly truncated cone shape for tight securely closing, at least tight liquid closing, of the vent opening (6), and the plug (25) being is held in [[this]] the closed position by at least one of the immobilization structures.

32. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 31, wherein ~~[[the]]~~ a size of the closing pin (28) and ~~the tight~~ a penetration of the closing pin (28) into the vent opening (6) are such that the closing pin (28) generally does not protrude ~~out of the past an~~ inner face of the bottom ~~[[face]]~~ wall of the disposable cup or, ~~at the very most that this just above the latter or~~ is flush with this one the inner face of the bottom wall (3).

33. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 22, wherein the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup is set back from ~~[[the]]~~ a corresponding face of the disposable cup by ~~means of~~ an annular peripheral edge (5) ~~which height~~ such that the closable vent device (7) is ~~[[in]]~~ recessed position from a plane defined by ~~an upper outer edge of the peripheral~~ edge (5) making up the support edge of the disposable cup in a standing position, ~~giving in this position a good to provide stability for the disposable cup when filling the disposable cup with paint.~~

34. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 29, wherein ~~both recessed forms in the side surface of the plug (25) are two the~~ immobilization structures comprise first and second annular grooves (29, 30) which are ~~[[,]]~~ successively formed in a side surface of the plug (25) from ~~[[the]]~~ a bottom to ~~[[the]]~~ a top of the plug (25) from selectively engaging with an inner annular rib (24), formed in the tubular valve body, in one of which the snap-in inner annular abutment rib (24) of the valve duct (22) houses each time, thus effecting each time a stop, respectively and the first annular groove (29) forms an opening stop or vent stop and the second annular groove (30) forms a closing stop.

35. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim ~~[[29]]~~ 34, wherein the at least one air passage is at least one ~~or two~~ notch~~[[es]]~~ (31, 32) running which extends lengthwise lengthways diametrically opposed, set back from the along a side surface of the body of the valve plug (25), deeper than the first groove and which the at least one air passage extends from ~~[[the]]~~ a frontal lower end (27), across the first annular groove (29) and ~~[[end]]~~ terminates before the second annular groove (30).

36. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~The disposable cup according to claim 22, wherein one of the valve plug (25) or~~ A disposable cup for a spray gun for at least one of preparing, applying and preserving paint, the disposable cup having one of a cylindrical shape or a truncated cone-shaped cup body (1) including a bottom wall

(3) with a surface having a vent opening (6) formed therein and a cover (4) for covering an open end of the disposable cup, the cover (4) having an outlet duct (11) for dispensing the paint, which is directly engagable with one of the spray gun or via an adaptation part (18) of the spray gun (17).

the disposable cup having a manually adjustable movable element (20) with a protruding end for shutting the vent opening (6) when the movable element (20) is in a closed position, and, when the movable element (20) is in an opened position, the movable element (20) facilitating entry of air through the vent opening (6) to replace, during painting, an inner volume space created by consumed paint, and when the movable element is in the closed position, the movable element (20) closes the vent opening (6), in a liquid-tight manner, so as to form a container which assists with paint preparation:

wherein the vent opening (6) is formed in a recessed portion of the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup which is sufficiently recessed and spaced from a plane defined by an annular peripheral edge (5) of the disposable cup such that when the disposable cup is inverted and supported by the annular peripheral edge (5), the disposable cup is able to stand in the inverted position in a stable manner with the movable element (20) spaced from the plane, and the movable element (20) of the vent device is slidably located within a tubular valve body which defines a valve duct (22), and the movable element (20) prevents air from flowing through the valve duct (22) when the movable element (20) is in the closed position; and

a second identical valve plug (33) can be set up on is engageable with the outlet duct (11) of the cover in order to form a paint pot for preservation of the leftover forming a sealed container to store paint.

37. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 22, wherein the ~~closable~~ vent device (7) ~~is made up of~~ comprises a cap plug which covers and is slidably mounted ~~on the cylindrical protrusion~~ at least partially within the tubular valve body of the cup bottom face.

38. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 22, wherein a ~~plug of the closable vent device~~ comprises a plug which ~~is crossed by a duct of~~ has an internal air passage formed therein.

39. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 38, wherein the ~~duct of the~~ internal air passage is divided into two channels in ~~[[the]]~~ a lower end of the plug.

40. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 37, wherein ~~[[the]]~~ a cylindrical protrusion ~~[[of]]~~ in the bottom face of the disposable cup receiving the plug ~~is crossed at a base by~~ has at least one channel of air passage in a base thereof.

41. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 22, wherein the closable vent device ~~is made up of~~ comprises a pivoting piece (45) ~~crossed by which has~~ an internal air passage channel ~~moving and the pivoting piece (45) is movable~~ between a closing tilted position in which the ~~cup bottom vent~~ opening (6) is closed by a protrusion (51) of the ~~[[body]]~~ pivoting piece (45) and in which the air passage channel is not aligned with the ~~cup bottom vent~~ opening (6), and an open position in which ~~[[the]]~~ an inward end side of the air passage channel ~~faces or is close to~~ communicates with the vent opening (6) ~~[[of]]~~ in the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup.

42. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The disposable cup according to claim 22, wherein ~~material of the cup body of the disposable cup is~~ manufactured from a material which is one of opaque, translucent or ultraviolet filtering.

43. (NEW) A disposable cup for a spray gun which assists with at least one of preparing, applying and preserving a paint, the disposable cup having one of a cylindrical shape or a truncated cone-shaped body (1) and including a bottom wall (3) with an annular peripheral edge (5), the bottom wall (3) having a closable vent device (7) with a manually adjustable movable element for closing a vent opening (6) of the vent device (7), and a cover (4) for sealing an opening of the disposable cup, the cover (4) having an outlet duct (11) which is connectable to one of the spray gun and an adaptation part (18) for the spray gun (17),

wherein the manually adjustable movable element, when in a closed position, sealingly engages and closes the vent opening (6), the vent device (7) comprises a tubular valve body which extends from the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup and an interior of the tubular valve body communicates, via the vent opening (6), with an interior space of the disposable cup to facilitate passage of air to the interior space of the disposable cup and replacing consumed paint during use, the manually adjustable movable element (20), with a protruding end, is manually movable within and along the tubular valve body to the closed position and to an opened position, the protruding end of the movable element (20) which faces the bottom wall (3) is adapted for sealingly engaging and closing the vent opening (6) in a liquid-tight

manner when the movable element (20) is in the closed position, the tubular valve body defines a valve duct (22) which facilitates air enter into the tubular valve body when the movable element (20) is at least in the opened position, the movable element (20) always remains accommodated within the tubular valve body, even when the movable element (20) is in the opened position, and, when the vent opening (6) is closed by the movable element (20), and the movable element (20) seals the vent opening (6) and results in a container which assists with paint preparation.

44. (NEW) The disposable cup according to claim 43, wherein a portion of the bottom wall (3) of the disposable cup, accommodating the closable vent device (7), is sufficiently recessed and spaced from a plane defined by an annular peripheral edge (5) of the bottom wall (3) such that when the disposable cup is inverted and supported on a surface solely by the annular peripheral edge (5), the disposable cup is able to stand in a stable manner in the inverted position unaffected by the vent device (7), and a valve plug (33) is provided for sealing the outlet duct (11) of the cover (4) and forming a sealed paint container for storing paint.